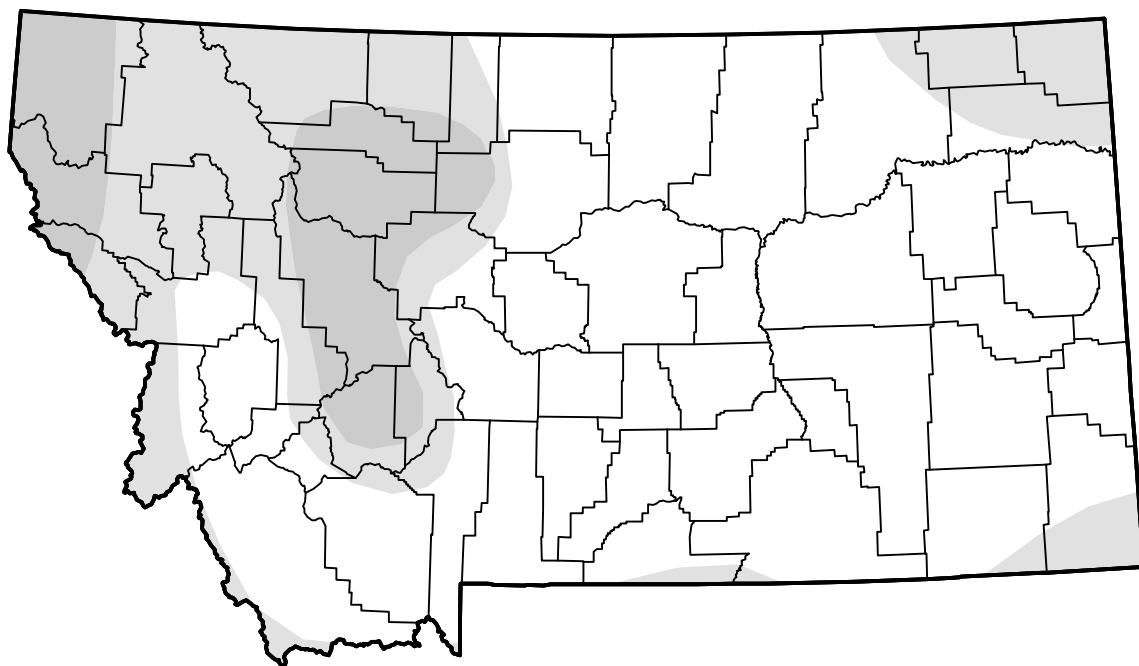


U.S. Drought Monitor Montana



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	66.52	33.48	11.21	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 12-15-2005	78.50	21.50	6.22	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 09-22-2005	3.90	96.10	42.70	13.94	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-06-2005	9.71	90.29	73.54	52.91	30.76	7.60
Start of Water Year 09-29-2005	3.90	96.10	43.13	13.02	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 12-23-2004	9.71	90.29	73.54	52.37	29.83	7.60

Intensity:

 None	 D2 Severe Drought
 D0 Abnormally Dry	 D3 Extreme Drought
 D1 Moderate Drought	 D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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